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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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In re the application of: )  
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Serial No.: 09/994,850 )  
Filed: November 28, 2001 )  
For: IMAGE-EFFECT METHOD )  
AND APPARATUS USING )  
CRITICAL POINTS )

Group Art Unit: 2621

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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF**  
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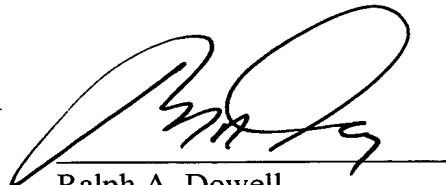
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- (ii) a fully signed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- (iii) a cheque in the amount of US\$785.00 in payment of the requisite missing parts  
fee (\$65.00) and the four month extension of time petition fee (\$720.00); and
- (iv) a petition for extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) – small entity.

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Respectfully submitted,

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